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### REMARKS

The Examiner has required election of one of the following four inventions:

- I. Claims 1-5, 6-12, 13-20, 26, 28, and 29-39 drawn to hemodialysis/mass transfer device;
- II. Claims 21-25, drawn to hemodialysis system;
- III. Claims 27, 40-48, and 58, drawn to a heat transfer device and method;
- IV. Claims 49-55, 56, 57, and 59-60, drawn to method of mass/transfer or hemodialysis.

The Examiner has further required election of one of the following species (A or B) within Inventions I, III, and IV:

Group I:

- A: double rotor device; Claims 1-5, 13-20, 29-39
- B: single rotor device; Claims 6-12, 26, 28

Group III:

- A: single rotor device; Claim 27
- B: double rotor device; Claims 40-48, 58

Group IV:

- A: single rotor; Claims 49-55
- B: double rotor; Claims 56, 57

(Claims 59 and 60 are generic)

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute the claims in Group I directed to a hemodialysis/mass transfer device. Applicant further elects claims directed to species A of Group I for prosecution on the merits. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the non-elected claims in one or more continuing applications and to rejoin species B of Group I if a generic claim is held allowable.

Amendments have been made to the elected claims. Claims 1, 29 and 30 were amended to correct a typo, wherein 'conducing' has been changed to read 'conducting'. Claims 13, 14, 16, 19 and 20 have been canceled as redundant to Claim 1. Claims 15, 17, and 18 have been amended to

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depend from Claim 1, rather than canceled Claim 13. Accordingly, Claims 1-5, 15, 17, 18 and 29-39, within the elected Group I, species A are presented for examination.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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